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Servant to

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TREASURER

To the PAPISTS in *Ireland*, of their Mony
to carry on this Horrid PLOT; who was
Barbarously Murthered for Discovering the
same, and turning

PROTESTANT.

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his Shop, at the Sign of the *Angel*
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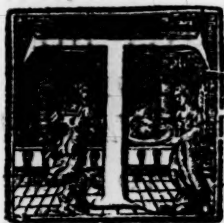
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O F
Eustace Comyne, &c.



His *Informant* saith, that he lived with one *Keadagh Magher* being his relation in *Carrignisury* in the County of *Tipperrary* in the Kingdom of *Ireland* for Fourteen Years and during that time was privy to all his cencerns.

Saith that he did observe and see one *Peter Kehow* and *Thomas Kehow* of *Carignisury* Merchants who dealt constantly for *France*, and the said *Thomas* constantly going too and fro between *France* and *Ireland*, bring several considerable Summs of Money from *France*, and delivered it to the said *Keadagh Magher*, he being appointed Treasurer by *Doctor Oliver Plunket* titular Primate of *Ireland*; *John Brenane* titular Arch-bishop of *Cashell*, and the rest of the Bishops of *Ireland*, and those great and vast Summs of Money were to be distributed to such persons as the said *Plunket*, *Brenane* and *Robert Power* Dean of *Waterford* should direct the same to be payed for the carrying on of that Horrid Plot of the Papists in *Ireland*, for

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to introduce the *French* into his Majesties Dominions, and to suppress the *Protestant Religion* in these three Kingdoms.

The distribution of a great part of the said Money was as followeth, viz. to Sir *John Pounsonby* for to stand firm to that wicked and ungodly design Two hundred pounds, and a great deal more was promised when ever there came more Money over from *France*, to the Earl of *Tyrone* Two hundred pound, to *Peter Cranisborough* of *Waterford* Merchant Two hundred pound, to *John Walsh* the Duke of *Ormonds* Lawyer in the County of *Tipperrary* Four hundred pound, to *John Mandevile* of the same County Three hundred pound, to *Michael Guyn* of the same County One hundred pound, to *Robert Low* Justice of the Peace of the same County Two hundred pound, to *Francis Alcock* another Justice of the same County Two hundred pound, to *Michael Kearney*, *James Kearney*, *John Kearney*, *Morrice Kearney*, and *Bryan Kearney*, One hundred pound a piece, to *Richard Purcell* of *Thurles* in the County of *Tipperrary* Merchant Two hundred pound.

This Informant saith, that there was a meeting of Four and twenty of the *Romish* Clergy, at a place called *Cloughnecully* in the County of *Tipperrary*, who went from thence to wait on the titular Primate *Plunket* to the aforesaid *John Walsh*, the Lawyers house at
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Ballyneiry in the County of *Tipperrary* aforesaid, and consulted together and agreed to give every Judge that would go the Circuit Two hundred pound, if they would take it to stand their friends, and to be Surveyors against any discoverers, and to every Justice of the Peace that would take it One hundred pound.

And it was also concluded by the aforesaid *John Walsh*, *Francis Alcock*, *Robert Low*, two Justices of the Peace, that whoever should from Sun setting to Sun rising destroy any of the Discoverers of that Wicked and Horrid Plot, should have Twenty pound and their pardons, and also an Absolution from the *Romish Church*.

He saith that there was Two hundred pound, given or secured to *Sir William Davis* by *Peter Lynsey*, and *Patrick Commerford* for the design aforesaid, he being then Judge at *Clonmell*, this Informant being an Eye Witness how the Two hundred pound, was secured to be payed to *Sir William Davis*, and being satisfied on what account the rest of the forementioned Summs, were payed to the forenamed persons was touched in Conscience, and was resolved to Discover all their Villany, and in order thereunto went unto the aforesaid *Alcock* and *Low* being two Justices of the Peace, and demanded a Warrant from them in the presence of the Mayor of *Clonmell*, for to apprehend *Primate Plunket*, the Arch-bishop
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of *Cashel* and *Robert Power* the Dean of *Waterford*, the said *Plunket* and the Bishop of *Cashel*, being then at the aforesaid *John Vallh's* House, the said Justices refused this *Informant*, until the said Justices sent word to *Plunket* and the other Bishop to be gone, and then gave this *Informant* a Warrant, who pursued the said *Plunket* and the Bishop of *Cashel* to the County of *Kilkenny*, to one Mr. *Valter Butlers* House a Nephew of the Duke of *Ormonds*, who meeting with this *Informant* threatned him at a high rate and asked him how he durst come upon his Land, that the said Mr. *Butler* gave his Pistols to one *George Lee* with a design to Kill this *Informant*, who narrowly escaped with his Life. Soon after this *Informant* came to *Dublin*, and applyed himself to his Grace the Duke of *Ormond*, and informed him of that horrid and wicked design of the Papists, who promised this *Informant* a Protection.

And though this *Informant* Petitioned often for the same, yet he was refused insomuch that he was necessitated to go disguised in a beggars habit to the North of *Ireland*, for the safety of his life, but being pursued by Sir *William Davis*, *Plunket* and Arch-bishop of *Cashel*, to all Parrish Priests for to make a diligent inquiry after this *Informant*, who finding him at *Carrigfergus* above Fourcore Miles distant from *Dublin* he was there committed to Goal by one Captain *Davis* a Justice
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of the peace, where he remained for three weeks, until this Informant sent him the said *Davis* word, that he was taking the advice of the *Fryer* that was in his House for to destroy the Kings Evidence. Upon which he discharged this Informant.

And this Informant coming at least Eighty Miles distant, an other way backwards for to shelter himself to one *Esquire Lamberts*, in the County of *Meath*, where he worked for his living about a Months time, and understanding the design of the *Papists* going on apace went to one *Serjeant Osborne* one of the Kings Council, and discovered to him a great deal of the said Plot, but instead of acting as the Kings Council or Loyal Subject, he to the contrary sent this Informant to the Goal of *Trinn* in the County of *Meath*, where he remained for 3 weeks in a starving condition in Irons, until he was removed from thence to *Dublin*, and his Leggs tied under the Horses belly, and then was brought before *Sir John Davis* Secretary of State, who at the first sight called this Informant a Rogue, and said that he was in Prison at *Carrickfergus*; this Informant replied that it was by the unjust means of his Brother for discovering the Truth against him; This Informant being brought to the Council Board, the Lord Chancellor and *Sir John Davis* came to examine this Informant, who told them, he was not willing to be examined by them, by reason the one was *Sir William Davis* his Brother and the other

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his Father in Law ; yet however to avoid all that they should pretend, this Informant told and discovered more to them than they were willing to hear ; for which they returned this Informant to Prison, who was discharged the next day, but by whose means he cannot tell, neither could he get any protection or safety ; but exposed to the Malice of his Enemies, this Informant went to another remote part of the Kingdom in the County of *Limerick*, with an intent to take Shipping and to come for *England*, for to discover all their villanie, but being there discovered was apprehended and brought to Justice *Crocker*, who sent this Informant to Sir *William King*, who committed him to the Marshalsea at *Limerick*, until such time as he would send to *Dublin* to know how he was discharged there ; But Sir *William Davis* coming Judge of that Circuit, and coming to *Limerick*, Ordered this Informant to be sent to the Dungeon, where he continued for Eight Months in a perishing condition, until such time as the Lord Chief Baron *Hinne* came that Circuit, and coming to *Limerick*, this Informant could not get a Petition delivered to him, but was forced to tie it on the top of a staff, and as the Judge was passing by reached it to him out of a window, and the Judge having perused it, and understanding the cause of his Commitment was to suppress his Evidence, which this Informant declared often, that he

would sooner suffer Death than conceal such a bloody design, though he was often tempted by offering him great Sums of Money to conceal what he knew.

The *Papish* partie, to prosecute their bloody intent, did most barbarously Murther the said *Keadagh Meagher*, who was their Treasurer, when they understood he detested their design, and turned *Protestant*, and was resolved to discover all their horrid and bloody designs.

This Informant hath more to discover, but first humbly desires that he may have his Pardon and Security.

EUSTACE COMTNE.

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